## Recent Updates to the National Drug Code (NDC) Directory and Electronic Drug Registration and Listing System (eDRLS)

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# Background

- Under section 510 of the Act, and Part 207, with some limited exceptions, firms that manufacture, prepare, propagate, compound, or process drugs in the US or that are offered for import into the United States must be registered with the FDA. 21 U.S.C. 360(b), (c), (d), and (i).
- Every person who is required to register must, at the time of initial registration, <u>list</u> all drugs manufactured, prepared, propagated, compounded, or processed for commercial distribution. 21 U.S.C. 360(j)(1) and also 21 C.F.R. 207.20.
- As of June 1, 2009, registration and listing information is submitted electronically through the FDA Gateway using the Structured product Labeling format.

# **NDC** Directory

- FDA publishes the listed NDC numbers and the information submitted as part of the listing information in the NDC Directory.
- The NDC Directory contains ONLY information submitted to FDA by labelers
  - paper forms (old version only)
  - electronic SPLs (Old and New versions)

# NDC Directory Updates

- New NDC Directory
  - What's included?
    - Rx and OTC Drugs
    - Approved
      - ANDAs, NDAs, and BLAs
    - Unapproved
      - Homeopathics, Medical Gases, Other
  - What's NOT included?
    - API
    - Drugs for further processing
    - Bulk ingredients
    - Animal drugs
    - Blood related products

# NDC Directory Updates

- New NDC Directory
  - New structure and data elements in download files
    - Marketing Category
    - Pharmacologic Class
    - DEA Schedule
    - Product Type Name
    - 12 files to 2 files
    - Tab delimited text file and Spreadsheet version
  - Publications
    - Bi-monthly updates: around 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of each month

# NDC Directory Updates

- Old NDC Directory
  - A final edition of the DRLS based NDC
     Directory was published around June 1, 2011
  - NDCs found are still considered listed
    - Unless discontinued by email
  - Email delisting will continue though December
     2011
  - Begin updating quarterly starting October
    2011

### **eDRLS**

- Some listing instructions:
  - Kit listing
    - Include components of kit and their NDC
    - Component NDC cannot match Kit NDC
  - Multi-level packaging
    - Outermost package codes are published
  - New listing validations
    - DUNS Validation
    - Assign new NDC number with change in physical characteristics of drug products
    - Ensure that the original set ID is utilized in subsequent submissions of an SPL file

## **NDC** Directory

- Assignment of an NDC number does not in any way denote FDA approval of the product. Any representation that creates an impression of official approval because of possession of an NDC number is misleading and constitutes misbranding. (21 CFR 207.39)
- Neither inclusion in the NDC Directory nor assignment of an NDC number is a determination that a product is a drug as defined by the FD&C Act, nor does either denote that a product is covered or eligible for reimbursement by Medicare, Medicaid or other payers.

# Establishment Registration

- New database
  - Drug Establishments Current Registration Site (DECRS)
  - What's included?
    - All current registration in DRLS
    - Newly registered or renewed in 2010 and 2011

# Establishment Registration

- DUNS number and FEI number
  - Obtain DUNS number before submitting
  - Include FEI if known
- Use two letter State Abbreviations
- Publications
  - DECRS
  - List of NDC Labeler code assignments

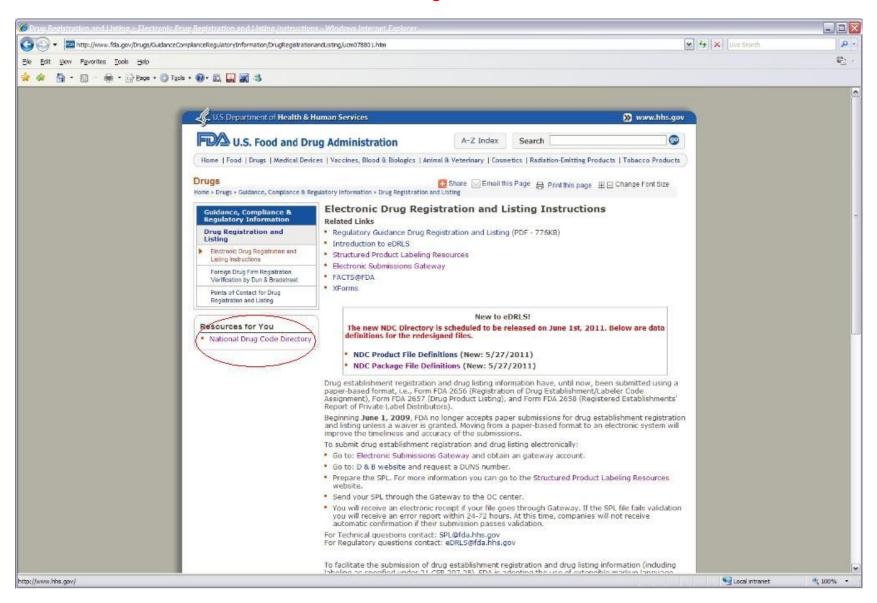
# Establishment Registration

- Registration updates
  - No change notification
- Mergers/ buyouts
  - Name change via LC Request, Registration, and listing
- Update US Agent information in LC Request if firm is not required to register

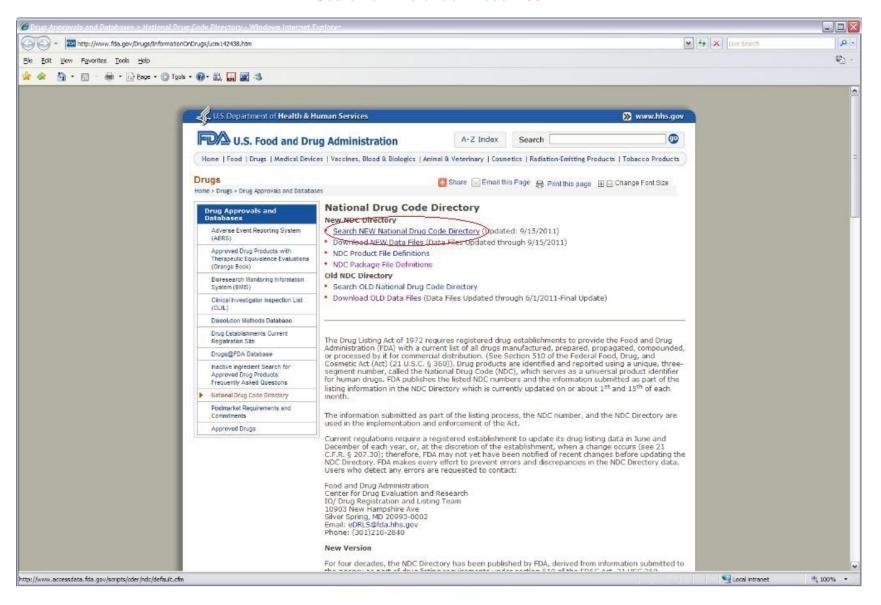
# Proposed Rule

- Published August 2006
- Public comments
- FDA working groups
- Tentative finalized date 2012

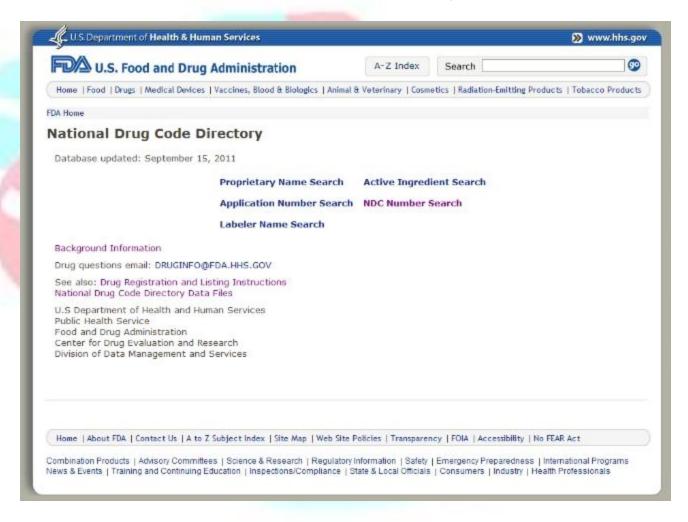
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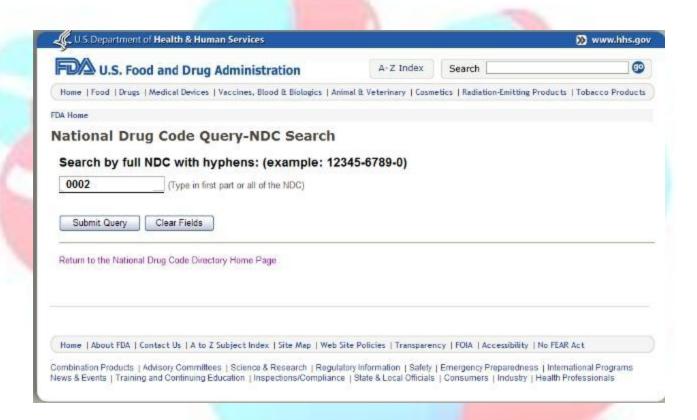
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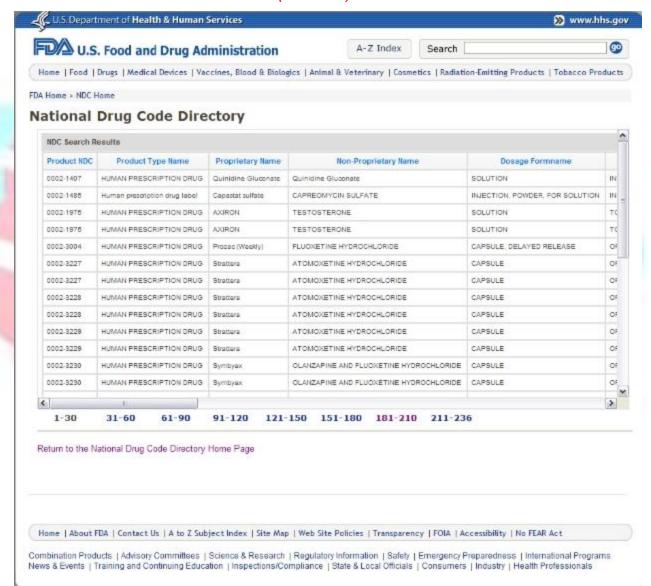


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### Search by NDC Number

(Results)



### eSubmitter

- What is eSubmitter?
  - Software to create electronic submissions (SPL) to FDA
  - More user-friendly
  - Coming soon to Drug Registration and Listing
- Currently used by CDRH, CBER, CTP, CVM, for various types of submissions
- FDA eSubmitter FAQs: <u>http://www.fda.gov/downloads/ForIndustry/FDAe</u> <u>Submitter/UCM266914.pdf</u>
- For technical assistance for eSubmitter software: esubmitter@fda.hhs.gov

## Questions?

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